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E. Tomlin Balley, Esq. Chairman NSC Special Committee on Technical Surveillance Countermeasures

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Sincerely,

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21 March 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

- 1. This memorandum suggests action on the part of the DCI. Such requested action is contained in paragraph 4.
- 2. The NSC Special Committee on Technical Surveillance Countermeasures addressed a detailed request for information on countermeasure techniques and procedures employed by each member agency of the NSC Special Committee. On 27 February 1957, the Director of Security replied to this inquiry furnishing the necessary information as to procedures employed within this Agency. At the 6 March 1957 meeting of the NSC Special Committee, Mr. Coyne advised of the necessity of insuring that the head of each Agency personally be advised of the discovery of a hostile audio surveillance device and that damage reports be prepared. The letter from the Chairman of the Special Committee dated 12 March 1957 was proposed in substance by Mr. Coyne to establish in compliance with MSC Directive 5618 and for the benefit of the Committee that the head of each member department is in fact personally advised of discoveries and to assure the Committee that procedures exist for such notification and preparation of damage reports.

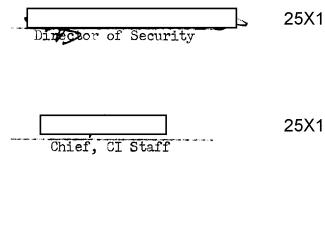
3. Whereas no specific notice or instruction exists directing personal notification to you as such, both the Chief, CI Staff and the Director of Security are responsible to immediately notify you of any discovery in this regard. In addition, any cable reporting the discovery of or suspected presence of such a device is automatically distributed to your office.

requires all overseas components to report to Headquarters by cable the discovery or suspected presence of any hostile audio surveillance device and includes instructions for action to be taken and the reporting of all pertinent information. It is felt that adequate instructions and procedures exist for the immediate reporting, action and information to you of any hostile audio surveillance action directed against installations or personnel of this Agency.

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4. It is recommended that the attached letter of reply to the Chairman of the NSC Special Committee on Technical Surveillance Countermeasures be signed.



Attachment: Letter of reply

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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March 12, 1957

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Reference is made to the Presidential Directive of December 19, 1956, establishing the National Security Council Special Committee on Technical Surveillance Countermeasures. This Directive has been circulated as NSC 5618.

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At its meeting of March 9, 1957, the Special Committee decided that the head of each department or agency represented on the Committee should be requested to inform the Committee:

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Your answers to these two questions should be submitted to the Special Committee so that they may be considered at the Committee meeting of April 3, 1957. Correspondence may be directed to the Chairman of the Special Committee: Mr. E. Tomlin Bailey, Director, Office of Security, Department of State.

Sincerely yours.

William L. Uanna Acting Chairman

NSC Special Committee on Technical

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The Honorable

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